

Government has taken up National Highways Development Project (NHDP), Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for North Eastern region (SARDP-NE) for National Highways. These are in addition to the other routine development works of balance National Highways.

Conversion of State Highways into NHs in Tamil Nadu

991. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of State Highways declared as National Highways in Tamil Nadu during the last three years;

(b) the progress of work in such stretches of newly declared National Highways;

(c) by when they would have all the facilities of National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) The following State Roads have been declared as National Highways during the last three years:—

- i. Thanjavur-Ulunderpettai
- ii. Nagercoil-Kavalkinaru
- iii. Coimbatore-Karnataka border
- iv. Dindigul-Theni

(b) The present status of works on newly declared National Highways is as under:—

NH	Name of work	Sanctioned (in Lakhs)	Status Cost
1	2	3	4
67 Ext.	(i) Strengthening from Km. 220/0 to Km. 229/0	199.47	Completed in Sep., 2005

1	2	3	4
	(ii) Construction of 6 number of culverts at Km. 233/0, 237/8, 240/4, 244/6 261/6 Km. and 262/10	37.84	Completed in Dec., 2004
47B	(i) Paved Shoulder (PS) Km. 0/0 to Km. 10/0	435.67	In Progress
	(ii) PS Km. 10/0 to Km. 22/6	393.33	In Progress
45 Ext.	(i) PS Km. 61 to Km. 62 and Km. 64/0 to Km. 69/0	180.14	Tender under progress
	(ii) IRQP Km. 2/75 to Km. 11/20	403.01	
45C	Maintenance and Repairs	825.00	In Progress

(c) Development and maintenance of National Highways is a continuous process which depends upon various factors *i.e.* availability of funds, *inter-se* priority of works, traffic intensity, etc. Therefore, no specific time frame can be given.

Inclusion of Kurnool-Kadappa and Hyderabad-Vijayawada under NHDP

992. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kurnool-Kadappa (NH-18) and Hyderabad-Vijayawada (NH-9) was included under NHDP;

(b) whether it is also a fact that he has announced on September 9, 2004 to take up these four lane projects on priority basis;

(c) if so, the progress achieved so far; and

(d) if so, whether after it a few 3500 Kms. of NH is being four laned out of 4500 Kms.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) is under progress.